

Will the broadcast flag interfere with consumers ability to make copies of DTV content for their personal use, either on personal video recorders or removable media?

I currently have multiple VCRs, I will often record on one in the Lounge, and perhaps playback in the bedroom, or perhaps when I go down to out holiday house I might take them then and do some catching up. On occasion some friends may stay with me, They will watch the programs with me, or perhaps if they have missed an episode I will give them the tape.

My understanding of the proposal, is that my current activities will become illegal using DTV. THis is just plain wrong.

Would the digital flag interfere with consumers ability to send DTV content across networks, such as home digital networks connecting digital set top boxes, digital recorders, digital servers and digital display devices? What about different types of devices. We have all seen what happens when you let someone like Microsoft create a monopoly. Will I be able to playback on new competative technology like linux based devices?